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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: Lutze et al.
Title: Methods for Identifying Non-Volatile Memory Elements with Poor Threshold Slope of Weak Transconductance
Application No.: 10/665,685 Filing Date: September 17, 2003
Examiner: Anh K. Phung Group Art: 2824
Docket No.: SNDK.301US0 Unit: Conf. No.: 6244

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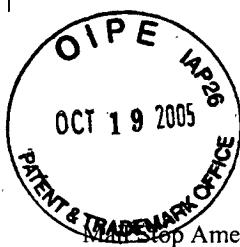
RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

These comments are responsive to the Restriction Requirement mailed on September 19, 2005. Applicants respond to the Official Action as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of the Claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.



October 17, 2005

Non-Stop Amendment
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Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith are the following documents in the above-identified application:

- (1) Return Receipt Postcard;
- (2) This Transmittal Letter (1 page - in duplicate); and
- (3) Response to Office Action (8 pages)



No additional fee is required.



The fee has been calculated as shown below:

CLAIMS AS AMENDED

	Claims Remaining <u>After Amendment</u>		Highest No. <u>Previously Paid For</u>		Present <u>Extra</u>		<u>Rate</u>		<u>Additional Fee</u>
Total Claims	37	Minus	40	=	0	x \$50.00	\$		0.00
Independent Claims	2	Minus	3	=	0	x \$200.00	\$		0.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Fee of \$360.00 for the first filing of one or more multiple dependent claims per application									
<input type="checkbox"/> Fee for Petition for Extension of Time									

Total additional fee for this Amendment: \$ 0.00

- Conditional Petition for Extension of Time: If an extension of time is required for timely filing of the enclosed document(s) after all papers filed with this transmittal have been considered, an extension of time is hereby requested.
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